

## House Resolution No. 892

**Whereas**, it is always a pleasure for the members of the Missouri House of Representatives to recognize an outstanding Show-Me State couple who have ceaselessly embraced the promises made to one another so many years ago; and

**Whereas**, Mr. and Mrs. Jim Benge, treasured residents of Springfield, Missouri, will commemorate the jubilant occasion of their Golden Wedding Anniversary on March 9, 2007; and

**Whereas**, Jim and Dixie Benge have attained this impressive milestone by the sincere commitment they have demonstrated to each other since their marriage on March 9, 1957; and

**Whereas**, on that unforgettable day, Jim Benge, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jessie Benge, and Dixie Hatfield, daughter of Mason and Lavern Hatfield, promised to devote themselves to each other throughout all the days of their lives during a beautiful wedding ceremony at Wyaconda Christian Church in Wyaconda; and

**Whereas**, over the course of the past half century, Jim and Dixie Benge have had the pleasure of watching their family grow to include one son, David Benge; four grandchildren, Danny, Patricia, and Samantha Benge, and Marissa Guerra; one great-grandson, Jonathon Guerra, Jr.; one grandson-in-law, Jonathan Guerra, Sr.; and one granddaughter-in-law, Desiree Benge; and

**Whereas**, Jim and Dixie Benge truly serve as an example of the way marriage was intended to be as demonstrated by their enjoyment of daily companionship, their constant display of support for one another, and their shared commitment in respecting the feelings and opinions of each other; and

**Whereas**, Jim and Dixie Benge are an exceptional couple whose five decades of shared happiness, affection, and devotion so beautifully illustrate the abundant triumphs of a successful marriage:

**Now, therefore, be it resolved** that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join in extending our most hearty congratulations to Jim and Dixie Benge upon the joyous occasion of their Fiftieth Wedding Anniversary and in wishing them continued prosperity as they begin their fifty-first year of wedded bliss; and

**Be it further resolved** that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Mr. and Mrs. Jim Benge.

Offered by \_\_\_\_\_  
Representative Brian Munzlinger  
District No. 1

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives,  
Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do  
certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House  
Resolution No.892, adopted March 1, 2007.

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Rod Jetton, Speaker